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**Testimony of Wayne P. Woodtke  
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Regarding House Bill #5016, Section 4-a.**

Good Morning Chairpersons, Senator Toni Harp, Representative Toni Walker, and Committee Members.

My name is Wayne Woodtke. I am the Executive Director of the Association of Retired Teachers of CT (ARTC) representing nearly 10,000 CT retired Teachers. I live and vote in Vernon, CT and have been working with the ARTC since 2007 after spending 32 years in the banking world.

I appreciate the opportunity to address you today on House Bill 5016. I am strongly opposed to Section 4-a of HB #5016 regarding the repeal of Section 10-183t of the CT general statutes.

I will be very brief. I would like to leave you with 1 important question that should be paramount in your decision process regarding House Bill #5016, Section 4-a, regarding the repeal of Section 10-183t of the CT general statutes...

**Why would you consider hurting the whole of CT retired teachers who have already contributed over \$61 million dollars to ease Connecticut's budget crisis?**

Don't know what I'm talking about? You should!

Haven't Connecticut's retired teachers done their part? I think the answer is yes!

Thank you for your time on behalf of all the nearly 29,000 CT retired teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne P. Woodtke